



## •Flood Control and Environmental Protection:

- -383,000 acres of Flowage, Developmental Control, and Environmental Protection Easements
- 50,000 acres in fee for Public access.
- •Project Cost: \$232.0M
- FY 2005 Budget Request: \$7.2M
- •FY20 05 Funds required: \$10.0M



## **Project Fact Sheet**

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## Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System, Louisiana

**PROJECT AUTHORITY:** Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1985 (PL 99-88); Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1986, PL 99-662. Funding to initiate acquisition of the real estate features was made available by the Energy and Water Resources Development Appropriations Act of 1988, PL 100-202.

PROJECT SPONSORS: The project sponsor is the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** South-central Louisiana, extends south from U.S. Highway 190 to vicinity of Morgan City/Berwick, comprising the area between the East and West Atchafalaya Basin Protection levees.

PROJECT PURPOSE/FEATURES: Flood Control and Environmental Protection: Acquire 338,000 acres Flowage, Developmental Control, and Environmental Protection Easements. Public Access: Acquire 50,000 acres land in fee (less mineral rights). This is the largest land acquisition project within the Corps of Engineers. Water Management Units: Restore historical overflow patterns to benefit fish and wildlife. Recreation Features: complement public access. Recreation features consist of several boat launching ramps, campgrounds, and a visitors center.

PROJECT COSTS:	<u>FEDERAL</u>	NON-FEDERAL	<u>TOTAL</u>
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$202,000,000	\$30,134,000	\$232,134,000
Land Acquisition	\$119,886,000	\$0	\$119,886,000
Recreation	\$20,095,000	\$19,000,000	\$39,095,000
Management Units	\$62,019,000	\$11,134,000	\$73,153,000

**PROJECT BUDGET/SCHEDULE:** FY 2004 funds (\$7,046,000) are being used to continue land acquisition efforts, complete the planning and engineering and initiate construction for Buffalo Cove WMU, initiate construction of Simmesport Boat Landing and Myette Point boat landings, and advance planning and design on other recreation features. FY 2005 funds (\$7,200,00) will be used to advance planning and design on recreation and WMU, advance construction on Buffalo Cove, complete construction of Mayette Point boat landing and continue land acquisition efforts. \$10 million could be used in FY 2005 to advance project completion by six months.

**ISSUES: None**